REGIONAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY WORKING GROUP

Meeting Minutes August 18, 2020

A meeting of the Regional Government Efficiency Working Group was held on this date in the Senate Majority Caucus Room and via teleconference at the toll-free number 1-720-279-0026 with public access through guest code 806321. Chairwoman McGeachin called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. Mountain Time.

Members present:

Chairman McGeachin, Alex Adams, Andy Emerson, Mark Harris, Eve Knudtsen, Bobbi-Jo Mueleman, Steve Miller, Keith Reynolds

Others Present:

Jordan Watters, Piercy Robinson

Business

Chair McGeachin made a note of the social distancing precautions implemented to prepare for the meeting. Among the measures taken were the offset of available chairs and the presence of masks and sanitizer. Personal accountability for health was asked from the group present.

The Overview of Broadband Projects presentation started at 9:01 A.M. and was given by Director of Commerce, Tom Kealey. Chairman McGeachin made a verbal note to the call-in participants, during the presentation, that a copy of the presentation was emailed to them.

At 9:50 A.M. Alex Adams moved that the 12/9/19 minutes be adopted. The motion was seconded by Senator Harris. None were opposed.

Rob Fairbank gave his presentation about TeleEducation starting at 10:01 A.M. Bobbi-Jo Mueleman joined the meeting at 11:00 A.M. at the start of the Johnson Controls presentation given by David Naccarato and Peter White.

At 11:45 A.M. Keith Reynolds provided an update about the Car Pilot Project through the working lunch of pizza and salad from Wise Guys Pizza. His update was informed by a meeting that he had with the JFAC Chair and the Young Bloods. The discussion involved State Procurement Laws as they relate to the car pilot program. He stated that he met with Enterprise in June of 2020.

John Livingston started his presentation about Telehealth and Medical Efficiencies at 1:00 P.M. and presented until 1:58 P.M. He cited examples of the boon of fee-for-service health care and discussed his concern with up-coding in hospitals.

The final presentation was given at 2:02 P.M., by Susan Buxton, the Director of Division of Human Resources. Her presentation included information about state telework and included strategies for oversight improvements as a method of making telecommuting more effective and sustainable.

Action items: Concept of Reciprocity should be looked at in further depth, broadband letter should be sent to the delegation, and consider statutes to look at from the Johnson Controls presentation.

Suggestions for the next meeting included conducting the working group through the Zoom platform for members that cannot attend, in person.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Harris moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:02 PM. Eve Knudtsen seconded this motion.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE

TBD

Piercy Robinson

Office of the Lieutenant Governor